

## REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This Amendment is accompanied by a Request for Continued Examination and is further responsive to the final rejection mailed December 3, 2008 and the related Advisory Action mailed March 19, 2009.

Claims 1-17 are pending in the instant application. Claim 8 has been withdrawn from consideration pursuant to Examiner's Restriction Requirement, and Applicant's election. Claims 1-14 are amended to clarify features recited thereby. These amendments are fully supported by applicant's disclosure.

In addition to the arguments previously submitted, please note that the aberration correction optical elements in the cited reference are not passive, but active optical elements. Therefore, with the present amendment, the differences between the claims of the present application and the disclosure in the cited reference is explicitly recited in the amended claims.


In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted, the claims of record clearly differentiate from and are patentable over the art of record.

Early and favorable consideration of the present application is earnestly solicited.

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